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Lafayette County Ky 13th Aug 1837 I 10

Dear General, I have received your very kind letter of the 29th ult. on the subject of the recovery of the fugitive horse thieves Solomon Morley and Geo. Cabell — There are Indictments against both of them, Cops of which I have procured and shall go tomorrow to Frankfort to see Governor Clark to get his requisition &c.

I have carefully examined the memorandums you were kind enough to send, and shall pursue them strictly — I shall come on myself and endeavour to bring with me two men such as you recommend — and if I meet with no accident, will be at your house in a very few days after this reaches you.

I will make a suggestion in addition to yours for your reflection. Will not the requisition of the Governor of Ky. have to be presented to the Governor of Upper Canada and his warrant issue for the apprehension of the fugitive horse thieves to an officer in his own province and served by him? and the fellows delivered over to the agents of the Commonwealth

of Kentucky? I nearly make this suggestion for
your consideration — I shall feel safe in pursuing
whatever course you may think proper to direct —
I will come with as much and as varied authority
as I can procure that there may be a selection
of the one you may think most advisable

There is another fugitive — precisely similarly
situated — He stole a horse in 1833 from The Hamb. Ho.
Mr. Wickey of the City of Lexington. and an Indictment
found against him — The last accounts judge Hooker
had of him he was at Hamilton Upper Canada
If I could get hold of him it would lessen the expense
of the trip. His name is Jesse Hapley about
forty years of age — five feet nine inches high —
his color unusually red — one of his upper fore teeth ^{out}
a good forehead, prominent cheek bones, straight and
sharp nose, a flesh mark on one of his cheeks,
which shows more at some seasons than others,
his eyes are yellow or hazel — a scar on the
back of his head more than an inch long, covered
by his hair, which is black and bushy — the little
finger on one of his hands is crooked at the middle
joint and stiff — plays on the violin — his ears
are bored and he usually wears small gold rings in them.

I have no desire to impose on you any further trouble,
but if ~~it~~ should come in the way of some person
who may be going over ^{to enquire} I should be glad to get
hold of him. I 10

Your suggestions about Secrecy is very important
and I would just observe that it might be well
for your children, if they should expect me
to be cautioned about mentioning my name.

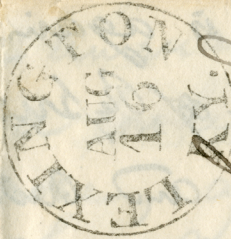
We have joyful news from the Congressional
elections throughout the state — not a single
representative in the state returned at the late
election in favor of the Administration.

They are even beaten in Johnson
district! And you will be astonished
to learn that John Pope is again
a member of the House of Representatives
in Congress from Kentucky, and Anti Vanburen
too!!

My family are well and desire
to affectionately remember to yourself
and children

Truly your friend
David Castleman

Genl. Peter B. Porter.



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